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In re application of:

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the June 28, 2004 Office action restricting the claims to two groups of inventions, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

In the Claims:

Cancel claims 15-19.